

Galileo Weekly Focus Questions — Assessment Rubric

Justification of claims

Claims made but logical reasons are not given.	0
Logical reasons are given.	1

Use of evidence

No evidence is provided to support the claims made.	0
General personal experience or opinion is used to support claims.	1
Observations/evidence from trails, community service, or other classes are used to support claims.	2
Observations/evidence from multiple parts of Galileo (trails, community service, other classes) are used together to support claims.	3

Further Research

Argument does not incorporate any further research.	0
Argument also incorporates research from external sources (such as internet, library research, newspaper articles or discussions). Sources are clearly identified.	1

Multiple Perspectives

Only one perspective on the theme/focus questions is considered.	0
The response considers more than one perspective.	1
The response considers more than one perspective and synthesises them into a coherent judgment or conclusion.	2

Critical Reflection

No critical reflection made.	0
Some critical reflection is made. For example - evaluation of the strength or quality of the evidence, analysis of possible influence of stereotypes or bias in the evidence, or a suggestion of what might be missing or hidden from the evidence or argument.	1

Expression and language use

Basic errors of spelling and grammar. For example: not using capital letters or full stops properly, using text-speak, misspelling common words.	0
Spelling and grammar mostly correct (spell-check & proof-reading).	1

Structure

Paragraphs are not used to structure the response.	0
Paragraphs are used to structure the response, with each paragraph including one idea.	1
Paragraphs are appropriately used, including introduction and conclusion paragraphs.	2